

to be in their platform also;—that Disestablishment was carried out in Ireland for special reasons that have no existence in Great Britain, where the circumstances are not only different, but “the very antithesis” of all those that existed in Ireland; that the blessings conferred by the Established Churches on the nation are many and priceless; that a National Church has much to do with forming a high national character; and that the Church of Scotland is acting wisely in extending herself by the only mode possible in these days, the endowing of new territorial charges.

2.—Lord Galloway, who is a member of the Episcopal Church, has just intimated to the minister of Minnigaff that he will subscribe £250 to the Church of Scotland endowment scheme.

3.—The trust-deed under which the Baird trustees are to administer the half million sterling handed over to them has been published. The Trustees are seven, and cannot be more than nine in number; they must be members in full communion with the Church of Scotland; their headquarters are to be in Glasgow; and they are allowed £500 a year among them for attending to the work. For the first 50 years they are allowed to expend only the interest. After that period, they may expend in addition £10,000 a year of the capital. The range they may take in giving help is very wide, provided always that the object or institution aided is based on religious and constitutional principles. They may aid the regular “Schemes” of the Church of Scotland; assist Divinity students to prosecute their studies, disseminate religious literature, aid in securing religious instruction in schools, build new churches, or try any new plans to christianize the masses, with the understanding that these are to be dropped if not successful, and prosecuted more vigorously if successful.

4.—The Presbytery of Edinburgh has held a special meeting to consider the answers sent in by Dr. Wallace to the deliverance of the Presbytery, in which certain statements in Dr. Wallace's sermons and in the article on Church Tendencies were found to be censurable, inasmuch as they were fitted to unsettle the minds of ordinary hearers

on some of the fundamental doctrines of Christianity. Dr. Wallace in his answers gave explanations of his views on the disputed points, and these the Presbytery deemed so far satisfactory that they resolved to take no further action in the case. At the same time the Presbytery counselled him to be more careful in future. Their deliverance is not unlike the verdict of the Irish jury, “Not guilty, but we would advise the prisoner not to do it again.”

5.—KILMARNOCK—INTERCHANGE OF PULPITS.—A noteworthy interchange of pulpits significant of the times occurred at Kilmarnock on Sunday, Oct. 5, when no fewer than three Dissenting ministers officiated in the Low Church on the occasion of special half-yearly collections being made in aid of the Sabbath school funds. The Rev. G. F. James, U. P. Church, preached in the forenoon; the Rev. Thomas Ramage, Reformed Presbyterian Church, in the afternoon; and the Rev. James L. Murray, U. P. Church, in the evening—the Rev. J. B. Hamilton, minister of the first charge of the Low Church, occupying the pulpits of Mr. James and Mr. Ramage in the forenoon and afternoon respectively. The collections amounted to upwards of £20.

6.—CHURCH EXTENSION IN GLASGOW.—The opening services of a new Established Church in the south side of Glasgow, facing the Queen's Park, were consummated on Sunday, Oct. 12, by the Rev. Dr. Caird, Glasgow, in the forenoon, the Rev. Mr. McCorquodale, the pastor, in the afternoon, and the Rev. D. Smith, North Leith, in the evening. The total collection reached nearly £1000. The new church, built at the cost of about £7000, is a large and massive edifice of the French Gothic style, with a magnificent spire, which, when completed, will reach to the height of 190 feet. The interior is elegant, complete, and comfortably seated to accommodate 1100 persons. The organ is a very handsome instrument, and cost £600.

7.—CHAPEL OF GARIOCH.—The Presbytery has decided against Rev. Mr. MacKersy, on the ground that though an excellent man and apparently fitted for much better places, he is not